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Re:

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Inventors: UMAÑA et al.

Our Ref: 1975.0180003/TJS/M-N

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$180.00 to cover:

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- 2. Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3. Form PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet) listing 6 documents (US1-US3 and FP1-FP3);
- 4. Form PTO/SB/08B (10 sheets) listing 74 documents (NPL1-NPL74);
- 5. Copies of cited documents (FP1-FP3 and NPL1-NPL74); and
- 6. Return postcard.

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